

REMARKS

Claims 1-23, 31-33, 38-45, 47-50, 52-55, 57-60, 62-65, 67-69, and 71-75 are in the application and have been allowed. Claims 1, 2, 11, and 31 are in independent form. Claims 24-30, 34-37, 46, 51, 56, 61, 66, and 70 are canceled.

The Examiner has rejected claims 24-30, 46, 51, 56, 61, 66, and 70, and the Examiner has allowed claims 1-23, 31-33, 38-45, 47-50, 52-55, 57-60, 62-65, 67-69, and 71-75.

Although applicants disagree with the assertions made by the Examiner concerning the rejected claims, applicants respond to the rejection by canceling the rejected claims as an expedient to expedite issuance of the allowed claims. Applicants reserve the right, however, to file one or more continuation applications to pursue the previously rejected claims.

Since the claims remaining in the application have all been allowed by the Examiner, applicants believe that the application is in condition for allowance and respectfully request the same.

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